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April 29, 2021

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations 2413 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1026 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting fiscal year 2022 community project funding for the New St. Thomas Fish Market project on St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The public entity to receive funding for this project is the Virgin Islands Department of Planning and Natural Resources (DPNR), which is located at 4607 Tutu Park Mall, Charles W. Turnbull Regional Library, St. Thomas, VI 00802. The anticipated location of the project is 24-1 Estate, Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, VI 00802. This project is estimated to cost \$2 million.

The requested funding would be used by DPNR to construct a new fish market facility to accommodate 20-25 fishermen to sell their catch. This project is a sound use of taxpayer funding because it will provide a clean, safe point of sale for dozens of fishermen who are currently without one and must resort to selling their catch at various roadside points.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Stacey E. Plaskett